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REPEALING LAWS.

We understand that Representative W. T. Clement, in the legislature from this county, has introduced a bill in the House repealing the act creating the Good Roads Commission for this county, this being the law under which our roads are now being worked. We were told at Halifax Monday that Mr. Clement claims that 95 per cent. of the people want it repealed. Wonder where in the world he got his information?

they are. It surely must be that our aforesaid representative has heard from "higher up" and that he has of the people.

only been in operation four or five their action. This Commission is composed of John L. Patterson, C. D. House, George C. Green, R. C. Dunn, W. L. Schlicter and F. P. ling the road affairs well. The law low this bill to be repealed the peoalso that a bill has been introduced business so as to require the filing to overlook the past. in the House to repeal the act establishing a cotton weigher for Scotland Neck. This is another thing that is untimely and uncalled for and ought not to pass.

The steps taken at this extra sesthe regular session are mere child- to join in an effort to better the conish actions and not worthy the rep- State and the board of County Comresentatives we had reason to beities and childish acts.

Let these laws stand for two years-until they have at least been 1913. And the Board appointed fered from drought. given a trial-and then, if they are the following named persons to take not what is wanted or needed, re- part in urging the citizens of their peal them.

And now we are to have a new currency law.

It is predicted that the new tariff law will provide a surplus of from |den. ten to sixteen million dollars.

Governor Locke Craig has issued a proclamation naming November 5th and 6th as "Good Roads Days." Governor Craig's proclamation calls upon every able-bodied man "to shoulder his shovel, march out and strike a blow for progress." Let every citizen put in two day's actual work for good roads. It will more than pay.

The Democratic tariff bill received the signature of President Wilson last week and it is now the law of the land. President Wilson used two good pens in affixing his signa-Carolina and the other to Representative Oscar Underwood, of Ala-

Rate Edition" of the News and Observer issued some days ago was one dear; costs 2 or 3 times as much as Mrs. Pankhurst? Consider the sort of the best special editions that pa- the best. per has ever issued. Its pages were devoted to a discussion of the un- that isn't it; the cost a square foot; We have not heard any talk of just freight rates that are forced upon the State. The Observer is devoting time and space to this freight this advertisement. rate question and is doing a work that is bound to bring results.

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THE LOCAL BILLS.

The legislature was called togeth- Short and Pithy Saylogs on Subjects er for the purpose of considering the freight rate question and the amendments to the Constitution, but from the way local bills have been introduced these important ter. questions have been pushed aside way. There is entirely too much time taken up in the consideration of local bills, and in a great many instances only a few people are interested or benefitted.

A NEW LAW.

The legislature last winter passed a law, or rather amended the preslaw, in regard to partnerships in business. Thinking that this law might be interesting to our readers we give it below:

"No person or persons shall here- most possible that some day Hades after carry on, conduct or transact may freeze over. The people are not asking for the business in this State under assumed | Senator Penrose says he favors repeal of this law and Mr. Clement name, or any designation, name or Republican changes. Well, Presiis badly mistaken if he even thinks stale other than the real name or dent Wilson is making them, isn't namef of the individual or individu- he? als owning, conducting or transacting such business, unless such per- progressive ideas become a democrat son or persons shall file in the office there just won't be any repudlican misjudged this word for the voice of the clerk of the Superior Court party left. of the county or counties in which The present Good Roads Law has such person or persons own, conduct or transact, or intend to own, they are at Albany. conduct or transact such business, months and during this time the or maintain an office or place of be a candidate if the III. voters make church, whose pastor, Rev. Dr. C. men appointed by Mr. Clement to business, a certificate setting forth t clear that they want him. This M. Cartwright, is president of the have charge of this work have done the name under which such business looks like a very mild hint for the well and there is no complaint at is owned or is to be conducted or old 18th district to speak out. transacted, and the true or real full postoffice address or addresses of with lobbying. Shields. These men are of unques- said person or persons. Said certioned business ability and are hand- tificate shall be executed and duly younger chaps have managed it, railroad fare. ought to be given a two years trial tending to conduct said business: man's game. and if Mr. Clement and the other Provided, that the selling of goods | China may succeed in convincing member of the House, Mr. W. P. by sample or through traveling Japan that there is no need of going peopoles consecutive White and also Senator Daniel al- agents or traveling salesmen, or by to remote portions of map for dipmeans of orders forwarded by the lomatic occupation. purchaser through the mails, shall Cotton may enable congress to ple will certainly call them to ac- not be construed for the purpose of take up the subject of "futures," count for their actions. We note this act as conducting or transacting but it will not cause investigators

A Call to The Citizens.

Office Board County Commissioners Halifax, N. C.

of said certificates."

Whereas the Govenor of North s'on of the legislature to repeal Carolina, has issued his proclomation ing makes complicated reading. these or any other laws passed at asking the Citizens of North Carolina dition of the public roads in the missioners desire to lend their aid in lieve Halifax county elected last No- the work. Thereupon they ask every vember. Away with such ward pol- citizen of Halifax county, to join and help the cause by giving two days on the roads on the days set apart by the Governor, Nov. 5th, and 6th, respective Townships to come out and aid in the work.

> Brinkleyville Township-Dr. J. H. Norman, T. C. Willams. Butterwood Township-J. R. Pat-

Conoconara Township-J. H. Dar-

Enfield Township-J. R. Dickens,

and P. V. Randolph. Faucetts Township-W. R. Nevill

and J. B. Dickens. Halifax Township-Dr. H. B. Fur-

Littleton Township-C. D. House, Palmyra Township-L. J. Baker.

Scotland Neck Township-J. A.

Kitchin. Roseneath Township-W. C. Alls-

Weldon Township-Geo. C. Green. Roanoke Rapids-Jno. L. Patter-

Board of County Commissioners By W. R. Harvey, Chairman J. H. Norman, Clerk.

Good Paint

ture to this bill-one he presented is cheap; and Devoe is not the only to Senator F. M. Simmons, of North good paint; it is one of a dozen; snd very likely, the only one in your town-there are hundreds of middl- still a lot of those gang councilmen ing and bad.

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The Kehukee Association met with Spring Green Church in Martin County last Saturday and continued through Monday. The crowd on Sunday was estimated at 8,000 to 10,000 people. Quite a number of people from this section attended the Association.

OLD HICKORY CHIPS

Past and Present.

Economical husbands will say amen to Jane Adams' statement that the less clothes women have the bet-

and other matters given right of economical to christen the new

like real judges.

gatherer gets after them.

Panama canalling is getting to be

a favorite sport. Now the man who has been rocking the boat can turn his attention

to lighting the fire with coal oil. Woodrow Wilson to Tariff , Bill. Snow in Texas makes it seem al-

If Uncle Joe with his new set of

Tennessee. Those chaps must think

Uncle Joe Cannon says he might

Mr. Taft proceeds to demonstrate name or names of the person or per- that a Gentleman may take a proper sons owning, conducting or trans- interest in a public building for his acting the same, with the home and home town without being charged

After seeing how some of the to a considerable reduction in the acknowledged by the persoc or per- Porfirio Diaz may conclude that sons so owning, conducting or in- Mexican politics is, after all, an old

The Prince of Monaco never gambales. He is one of those who believes in letting others work for him. American conditions may invite Mrs. Pankhust to become a student rather than a lecturer.

In some instances simplified spell-To play a waiting game Uncle Sam is better equiped than Huerta.

What the country needs is a workable system for the more even distribution of rain.

We suppose that by this time John Lind has visited every moving picture theater in Vera Cruz.

It is evident from the advance in the price of milk that Illinois has suf-

At any rate, Thaw can boast that he has been on more sides of the Habeas Corpus write than any other

man now living. Secretary Bryan is not stung by criticism of his Chautauqua lecture enterprise, as it comes from republi-

cans who are hard up to find something to criticise. Red garters under a slit skirt

caused a girl's arrest. How on earth do the police discover such things? Every time Thaw's lawyers have a conference the police of Concord N. H.; think that a mass meeting is being held.

The Raleigh, N. C., man who wants to marry for the seventh time at the age of 120 can't be accused of not knowing his own mind.

There's no reason why as Representative Britten advocates young calves shouldn't be allowed to grow up as the suffering public would still get the same amount and the same kind of veal.

Now that the Tariff bill is settled some people will expect it to pay the butcher, the baker and the candlestick maker; set the table, ring the dinner bell and say grace.

According to the Baltimore Sun, it is plain to see what Canada Thawt. Phila., has 90,000 hog pens and

are not penned up. A Texas Editor has just died and The "Back Home and Freight of another good one there: perhaps let a fortune of \$10,000. It was in a bank and he couldn't get to it.

> After all why not be patient with of folks she had to contend with in

the cost a job; better yet, the cost a country annexing Canada since the people up there went so crazy over | &

> The Wisconsin legislature took around about way of breaking up the tewing societies when it passed | the anti-gossip law.

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The Convention Will Meet

"I take my pen in hand," says In Elizabeth City, N. C., Wednesday, October 15 to 19, 1913, in the Olive Branch Baptist Church Rev. C. M. Cartwright, D. D., Pastor.

> The next annual session of the North Carolina National-Baptist State Convention will meet in Elizabeth City, N. C., Wednesday, October, 1913, and continue in session until the following Sunday night.

The minutes of the former session are unavoidably late, but the secretary will send them out immediately Weapons drawn in legislature of after he gets them from the press. This coming session, which is of great and vital interest, will be held in the spacious and commodious edifice of the Olive Branch Baptist

> People in various parts of the State are making preparations to attend this session of the Convention. Those who go by rail should join in groups of ten or more, whenever possible, and purchase a block ticket. This will entitle each purchaser in such group of ten persons

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A Talk on The Care of Your Child's Eyes.

Your child is well into his school work for the Fall. How

Have you thought to notice his eyes? Do you know that even if he is suffering from eye-strain, he may not realize just what is the trouble? It is one of the most important duties of parents, unfortunately often neglected, to keep careful watch over the eye-sight of their children.

Notice how he holds the book he is reading. It is too near his eyes? Does he blink or squint? Does he ever have difficulty in recognizing distant objects, or seeing clearly across the school-room?

In any of these cases, you should have his eyes examined without delay. Slight troubles can frequently be entirely overcome; but if not attended to promptly, they tend to become more serious and permanent.

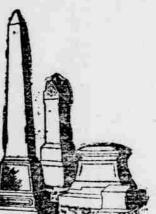
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The Habit of Saving.

Habit is the deepest law of human nature. It is either our supreme strength or our most miserable weakness It will make or break us. Our whole scheme of civilization arose from our habits. A baby born today, in one or two score years will be the victim or triumph of his habits.

And you, also, through your habits, are moulded from a pulpy baby into a successful man or a noble woman. Now, of all habits, the habit of wasting is the most ruinous, and the habit of saving is the most precious. You can waste your talents, your time, your strength-your whole life-if you do not form the habit of saving the profits of your labor

This habit of saving is not an easy habit to form. But once formed it replaces the old fear of the future with confidence. It creates ambition and provides the mind with the elation of independence. To spend all we earn seems to be as natural as breathing—until we grow so wise as to reflect that we will stop earning long before we stop breathing.

The habit of saving is real pleasure when it is once acquired. Indeed, there is a real fascination in it, just as there is in watching crops grow in the field. But it is not in holding the habit that there is difficulty, for if it is once formed it is likely to have a permanent and beneficial effect on the character. The difficulty is in creating the habit.

It has been said that "an early and provident fear is the mother of safety," and this fear will cause the wise to protect themselves with an armor of defense-and no armor is more s cure than the saving habit.

Out of the saving habit will grow other habits that are calculated to add elements of strength to your character. You will learn the habit of self-denial, of self-reliance, of prudence and of making your own life-plan. This is the essence of freedom. No security is felt by the expenditure of every dollar of income by the wage-earner. But greater earning power is created by the saving habit, and thus there will he more power of enjoyment, a wider sphere of mental and physical consumption, and, what is most important of all, there will be more to save.

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